(c) Yes, Sir. Some 28 countries have asked for technology from National Research Development Corporation. They are : Angola, Australia' Bangladesh, Bolivia, Ca meroon, Egypt, Guyana, Indonesia, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Mauritius, Malayasia, Nigeria, Nepal, Pakistan, Peru, Philiipines, Rwanda, Sri Lanka Syria, Senegal, Trinidad & Tobago, Tanzania, Togo, UAE, USA, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

(d) Facilities are provided in our Universities and Technical Institutions for the education and training of our Scientists and Technologists. These facilities are being improved and enlarged accor ding to requirements. The University Grants Commission and the Techni cal Education Bureau of the Minis try of Human Resource Develop ment continuously assess S&T man power needs for emerging/frontier areas in various disciplines of S&T and have been taking steps of intro ducing, in some key areas, appro priate courses of study/training pro grammes/ research programmes. In addition some S&T Department and agencies are also organising short-time goal oriented training programmes to meet S&T manpo wer needs. A large number of fellow ships are being offered by these agencies at both pre-doctoral and post doctoral levels in various S&T **fields** and funds are being provided for identified research schemes in **various** academic and research insti tutions of the country. Some S&T agencies are having joint programmes **with** some identified universities in teaching/training sectors.

श्री सुरेन्द्रजीत सिंह अहलुवालिया : सभापति महोदय . . . (व्यवधान) . . . मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूं कि . . . (व्यवधान) . . . उनमें इंजीनियरों की संख्या कितनी है और साइंटिस्ट्स की संख्या कितनी है पब्लिक . . . (व्यवधान)

MR. CHAIRMAN : 1 want to tell the Telugu Desam *(Interruptions)* Listen to me. *(Interruptions)* I am really surprised that Telugu Desam people. .*(Interruptions)* when I myself had not permitted Bhaskar Rao to use these tactics, you are using them. *(Interruptions)* I did not permit those tactics. I did not permit Bhaskar Rao. I will not permit you *(Interruptions)* I did not permit Bhaskar Rao to do this. Go and ask your leader. I did not permit Bhaskar Rao. And you know me. *(Interruptions)* you cannot do this. This was done by a lady MLA from Congress who was with Bhaskar Rao. Bit you are repeating the same. *(Interruptions)* you know my nature. All this choodi business was done.

श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी : आप रक्षा कीजिए . . . (व्यवधान) . . .

श्री सभापति : रक्षा करेंगे, पहले अपनी जगह जाइए । बदतमीजी से कुछ नहीं होता । मैं व्यवस्था दे रहा हूं . . . (व्यवधान) . . . । भास्कर राव ने यह कहा था (व्यवधान) . . .

you behave properly.

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOW-DHURY : What am I doing

MR. CHAIRMAN : You are standing between me and those people . You cannot stand between me and the Minister. There are rules *(Interruptions).* Being a lady does not mean that you can do anything. Please behave. You are misbehaving. By coming here you are misbehaving. The Rules are very clear.

यह जो आपकी बातें हैं, मेरे लिए नई नहीं है (व्यवधान)

Launching of ASLV

*445. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA : Will the PRIME MINTSTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consi-

deration to launch ASLV with the help of West Germany ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA : I would like to ask the Minister. .. *(Interruptions).*

SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN : Sir,

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY : Mr. Chairman, Sir ... *(Interruptions).*

SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN :..

SHRI MIRZA IRSHAD BAIG : मैं यह पूछना चाहता हूं कि यह जो आपका कार्यक्रम है उस कार्यक्रम पर सरकार ने ...(व्यवधान)...यह कार्यक्रम कब तक चलाया जाएगा और इसकी रूपरेखा क्या होगी और कितनी अवधि में इस कार्यक्रम को सम्पन्न करने की योजना है ?

ORAL ANSWER TO SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

MR. CHAIRMAN : Now, the Short Notice Question by Mr. Bagrodia.

Use of the Jute Bags

*1. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA :t SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA :

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been a move to withdraw the mandatory use of jute bags and

(b) if so, what will be its likely impact of the jute industry ?

THE MINTSTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

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SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : *(Interruptions).*

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Irrigation Projects of Karnataka

*442. SHRI D.B. CHANDRE GOWDA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of irrigation projects

t The Question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Santosh Bagrodia.